

CHAPTER 5 GENERAL PROVISIONS

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500 LOTTERY TICKET

- 500.1 Lottery tickets shall be sold only by licensed agents or their employees at the price fixed by the agency. The prices shall be designated by the Executive Director from a price schedule adopted by the Board.
- 500.2 The Executive Director shall have authority to offer promotional discounts, coupons, rebates, contests, and other promotional campaigns or devices for the sale of lottery tickets so long as instructions which give notice of the campaign are issued pursuant to Chapters 7 and 8 of this title. The campaigns and devices shall not be construed to have altered the price of a lottery ticket and shall not require additional Board approval.
- 500.3 Until a signature is placed on the back of a winning lottery ticket in the area designated for "signature," the ticket is a bearer instrument. When a ticket is signed in the area designated for "signature," it is owned by the person whose signature appears in the designated area.
- 500.4 On-line game tickets shall indicate, among other data, the drawing date, the amount of the bet, validation number data, terminal number, name of the game, and numbers played. If applicable, numbers played in each game board and the selection of numbers by Quick-Pick shall also be indicated on the ticket.
- 500.5 A lottery ticket shall be the only valid proof that a bet was placed and the only valid instrument for claiming a prize except as provided in §503.7.
- 500.6 In purchasing a lottery ticket or claiming a prize, the purchaser or claimant agrees to be bound and shall be bound by agency rules, instructions, procedures, conditions, determinations, and decisions, except that a denial of a prize claim by the Executive Director may be appealed in accordance with Chapter 4 of this title.
- 500.7 The agency shall reserve the right to decline to accept a wager.

AUTHORITY: Unless otherwise noted, the authority for this chapter is §4 of the Law to Legalize Lotteries, Daily Numbers Games, and Bingo and Raffles for Charitable Purposes in the District of Columbia, D.C. Law 3-172, D.C. Code §2-2501 *et seq.* (1994 Repl. Vol.).

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 39 DCR 7439, 7459 (October 2, 1992).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Prior to October 2, 1992, the D.C. Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board published Final Rulemaking published at 29 DCR 2202, 2211 (May 28, 1982).

501 PERSONS INELIGIBLE TO PURCHASE TICKETS

501.1 No ticket shall be purchased by, and no prize shall be paid to any of the following persons:

- (a) Any member of the Board or employee of the agency;
- (b) Any spouse, child, brother, sister, or parent residing as a member of the same household in the principal place of abode of any member of the Board or employee of the agency; or
- (c) Any contractor, subcontractor or vendor of the agency or its employees who are directly involved in the performance of a contract affecting the conduct, integrity, security, or reliability of the gaming operations of the agency.

501.2 Pursuant to D.C. Code §2-2534 (1994 Repl. Vol.), no person under the age of eighteen (18) shall be permitted to buy a lottery ticket or place a wager.

501.3 Nothing in this title shall be construed to prevent the making of a gift of a lottery ticket to a person under the age of eighteen (18), but no prize shall be paid directly to a minor.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 39 DCR 7439, 7440 (October 2, 1992).

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502 TICKET RESPONSIBILITY

502.1 The purchaser of an on-line game ticket shall be solely responsible for verifying, at the time of purchase, the accuracy, legibility and condition of the data printed on the ticket, and for determining that the ticket accurately reflects the bet placed.

502.2 The agency shall not be responsible for the following:

- (a) Lost or stolen tickets;
- (b) Tickets that are not intact;
- (c) Defective tickets;
- (d) Tickets that are mutilated, altered, reconstituted, counterfeit in whole or in part, or tampered with in any manner;
- (e) Tickets that have not been issued in an authorized manner; or

- (f) Tickets from a book appearing on an omissions list submitted by its manufacturer.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 39 DCR 7439, 7441 (October 2, 1992).

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503 CANCELED TICKETS

- 503.1** A ticket which is printed in error for the D.C. Daily Double, Lucky Numbers and DC-4 games may be canceled only on the date purchased and prior to the drawing break. The tickets shall be voided only by the issuing agent and the terminal that printed the ticket, and the player may request a refund or a replacement ticket. If for any reason the terminal that issued the ticket is inoperable prior to the drawing break, the player's sole recourse shall be a refund of the ticket price.
- 503.2** Exchange tickets issued pursuant to a multi-day wager shall not be canceled.
- 503.3** The Executive Director shall not pay a prize on any canceled or voided on-line ticket except as provided in §503.7.
- 503.4** Tickets for Quick Ca\$h, **POWER BALL®** and **Daily Millions** shall not be cancelled.
- 503.5** If an agent prints a ticket for Quick Ca\$h, **POWER BALL®** or **Daily Millions** in error, the agent shall be responsible for printing a corrected game ticket at no cost to the player.
- 503.6** Agents shall forward all canceled on-line tickets to the Agency. No canceled on-line ticket shall be returned to the player.
- 503.7** If a winning ticket has been inadvertently or erroneously canceled by an agent and the player retains possession of the canceled ticket, the Executive Director may, after investigating the total circumstances involved in canceling the ticket, honor that canceled winning ticket without regard to its failure to validate.
- 503.8** Subsection 503.7 shall not be applicable if, before he or she left the agent location, the player knew, or should have known, that the wager was canceled or in a game in which cancellation is not permitted.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 39 DCR 7459, 7441 (October 2, 1992); as amended by Final Rulemaking published at 43 DCR 5110, 5113 (September 20, 1996).

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504 DEFECTIVE TICKETS

- 504.1** A defective instant ticket is a ticket which is partially or wholly blank, distorted, misregistered, miscut, printed or produced in error, or a ticket from which the protective covering is removed or is not intact.

- 504.2 The sole and exclusive remedy for a defective ticket shall be replacement with a ticket for the same game or a refund.
- 504.3 No defective on-line ticket(s) shall be replaced after the draw break for the draw date printed on the ticket.

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505 TICKET VENDING MACHINES AND DEVICES

- 505.1 The Executive Director may authorize the use of instant ticket vending machines, player activated terminals, or other stand alone mechanical or electronic devices for the sale of lottery tickets at agent locations.
- 505.2 Prior to the implementation of ticket sales pursuant to this section, the Executive Director shall adopt written procedures and criteria governing the sales. The Executive Director shall also adopt written procedures and criteria regarding the assignment of authorized sales devices to agents.
- 505.3 No person shall make a sale authorized by this section unless the vending device has been authorized and the sale consummated in accordance with this section and procedures established by the Executive Director.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 40 DCR 6959 (October 1, 1993).